## When/Where

- Wednesday, September 27, 2006 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Clark County Safety Complex 505 NW 179<sup>th</sup> St.
   Ridgefield, Washington

What is the purpose of the open house? The open house will provide an opportunity to review a proposed road circulation plan for a portion of the area from NW 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue to NE 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, between NE 159<sup>th</sup> Street and NE 209<sup>th</sup> Street. Maps of the proposed plan will be available and county staff will be there to answer questions about road planning.

What is a circulation plan? A circulation plan identifies a basic road network to support additional traffic as an area grows. The plan does not identify all possible local streets or determine exact road alignments. Circulation plans help prevent excessive traffic on local streets, provide alternative access to arterial streets, distribute impacts and costs, and address environmental impacts to sensitive areas.

Why does this area need a circulation plan? The area north of 179<sup>th</sup> Street near the I-5 interchange was brought into the urban growth boundary as part of the 2004 Comprehensive Growth Management Plan update.

Circulation plans are required to ensure that urban services will become available as new areas are opened up for development at urban densities. Road improvements would typically be constructed by private developers as the adjoining property is developed.

Areas without circulation plans cannot develop at urban levels.

What will happen after the open house? The Clark County Planning Commission will consider the proposed circulation plan and public comment at a hearing on October 19 at 6:30 p.m., in the sixth floor hearing room of the Clark County Public Services Center, 1300 Franklin, Vancouver.

The Planning Commission will make a recommendation on the NE 179<sup>th</sup> Street Area Circulation Plan to the Board of Clark County Commissioners. The board will consider the plan in November 2006. If approved, the circulation plan would amend Clark County's Arterial Atlas, which is the official 20-year plan for roads.

## **Questions/Comments:**

For additional information, please visit our Web site at www.clark.wa.gov/longrangeplan/projects/179th area, or contact:

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